



Michaelmas Cay Locality Site Arrangements

Michaelmas Cay is a Sensitive Location with important bird nesting and roosting grounds as well as significant conservation, scientific research and indigenous cultural heritage values. Follow the special requirements for this location to help protect its sensitive values.

- Sensitive Location
- Low use Location
- Vessels less than 35 metres can access and anchor
- Beach access from 9:30am to 3pm
- No access to fenced area (refer to Queensland environment department)
- Vessel and aircraft speed limit of six knots
- Boating access channel marked out by buoys
 - Four knot speed limit in channel
 - No swimming, diving, anchoring or mooring to allow safe access
- No operation of horns, loud speakers or sirens
- Aircraft must remain above 3000 feet
- Use public moorings where available
- No-anchoring within 50 metres of a mooring
- Vessels greater than 35 metres and no more than 70 metres can anchor outside a Location or a Reef Anchorage if available
- Three Reef Anchorages available
- One vessel booking per day (for tourism operators)
- 19 private moorings allowed at Michaelmas Cay Locality
- Two private moorings allowed at Michaelmas Reef
- * Group sizes are including crew and excluding children under 4
- * The boundary of a 'Location' is generally 500 metres from the seaward edge of the reef
- * A primary mooring that also has northerly mooring are considered one mooring
- * Refer to the Cairns Area Plan of Management 1998 for more information

